

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



**FISCAL NOTE**

**HB 2296 - SB 2687**

February 22, 2018

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Entitles emergency medical service personnel with a certification license in good standing issued by the Board of Emergency Medical Services (EMS) to receive \$600 from the Board of EMS upon successfully completing in each year an in-service training course, appropriate to the emergency medical service personnel's category of licensure or certification and level of responsibility.

**ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**Increase State Expenditures – Exceeds \$3,093,000**

**Other Fiscal Impact – The Board of Emergency Medical Services had a deficit of \$75,100 in FY15-16 and a deficit of \$113,500 in FY16-17.**

Assumptions:

- Based on information provided by the Department of Health (DOH), there are currently 20,619 emergency medical service personnel with a certification license in good standing issued by the Board of EMS.
- It is estimated 25 percent of these licensees, or 5,155 (20,619 x 25.0%), would complete an in-service training course in FY18-19 and subsequent years.
- The increase in state expenditures associated with the \$600 stipend is estimated to exceed \$3,093,000 (5,155 x \$600) in FY18-19 and subsequent years.
- The EMS Board is required to collect fees in an amount sufficient to pay the costs of operating the Board. All fees collected by the Board are deposited by the DOH with the State Treasurer to the credit of the General Fund and shall be expended by the department and included in the appropriation made for the Board in the *General Appropriations Act*.
- The EMS Board had a deficit of \$75,077 in FY15-16 and a deficit of \$113,546 in FY16-17.
- It is assumed that a recurring appropriation from the General Fund will be required to fund the emergency medical service personnel stipends.

**CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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Krista M. Lee, Executive Director

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